

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
GIBSON, Peter

Application No.: 10/825,359

Confirmation No.: 8104

Filed: April 16, 2004

Art Unit: 3762

For: IMPLANTABLE DEVICE HAVING
OSSEointegrating protuberances

Examiner: HOLMES, Rex R.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (IDS)

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action after the filing of a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR 1.114 (37 CFR 1.97(b)(4)).

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(ii), Applicant has not submitted copies of U.S. patents. Applicant submits herewith copies of foreign patents and non-patent literature in accordance with 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2).

Among the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 under Non-Patent Literature Documents are an International Search Report and an International Preliminary Examination Report for International Patent Application No. PCT/AU2000/000936, which was published as International Publication No. WO 2001/010369. International Publication No. WO 2001/010369 has been submitted in this application in a prior IDS.

Also among the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 under Non-Patent Literature Documents are an International Search Report, a Written Opinion and an International Preliminary Examination Report for International Patent Application No. PCT/AU2003/000229, which was published as International Publication No. WO 2003/070133, and which corresponds to U.S. Patent Application No. 10/505,075.

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(g), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to mean that a search has been made or that no other material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) exists. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(h), the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that any patent, publication or other information referred to therein is "prior art" for this invention unless specifically designated as such.

It is submitted that the Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 CFR 1.98 and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the listed references.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 22409-00107-US.

Dated: July 6, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Electronic signature: /Michael G. Verga/
Michael G. Verga
Registration No.: 39,410
CONNOLLY BOVE LODGE & HUTZ LLP
1875 Eye Street, NW
Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 331-7111
(202) 293-6229 (Fax)
Attorney for Applicant